

VILLAGE OF RUSSIA

VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

April 12, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Village of Russia council was held Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at the Village office at 232 W. Main St. Mayor, Terence Daugherty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ron Simon
Cindy Goubeaux
John Grogean
Mary Jo High (attended by teleconference)
Larry Platfoot
Greg Borchers

Non-members present: Mark Shappie, Mary Jo Voisard, Adam Barga, Craig Albers, representing Justin Spillers, Sheriff's deputy, and Matt Hoying of Choice One Engineering.

- The minutes of the March 8, 2017 regular meeting were read, and a motion was made by Grogean, and seconded by Borchers to approve the meeting minutes. All ye, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Goubeaux and seconded by Platfoot to approve the bills as presented. All ye, motion passed.
- A motion was made by Goubeaux and seconded by Simon to approve the March financial reports. All ye, motion passed.

Police

Council reviewed the police report for the month of February. The report was routine. Grogean said that he had heard that there was an issue with motorists running the stop sign at First and Highland. The deputy said that they were aware of the problem, and had been doing additional patrolling in that area. He said citations will be issued if violations are observed.

Financials

Voisard reported that receipts for the first quarter of 2017 are \$63,500 below last year. She said that part of this is due to the fact that collections from larger employers changed from a quarterly collection to a monthly collection cycle, but did not feel that this would account for the whole deficit.

Replat

A motion was made by Simon, and seconded by Borchers to replat lots 285 and 286 in the existing industrial park and extend the right of way for the Luthman building as presented by Choice One Engineering. All ye, motion passed.

A motion was made by Grogean, and seconded by Platfoot to replat Oakwood lots 269 and 270 into one lot. All ye, motion passed.

Zoning

Voisard said that Ordinance 17-05 was tentatively approved by Council at the March Council meeting, but could not be formally passed until the Village Planning Commission met later in March.

A motion to suspend the rules was made by Goubeaux, and seconded by Platfoot. All ye, motion passed.

Simon moved and Borchers seconded the motion to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 17-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE VILLAGE OF RUSSIA, OHIO, AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY**

All ye, motion passed.

Industrial Drive

Shappie reviewed with Council that he had previously received an estimate from Dan Paulus for \$20,000 to install an additional 200 feet of roadway for the new building on Industrial Drive. This extension would be stone, with no curbs or gutters. Council had asked him to get additional quotes. He reported that he had contacted other contractors, and they would not quote without engineered specifications. He said he didn't feel that the expense would be justified for this project. He said Paulus had sent a new quote for \$16,387.

Borchers moved and Simon seconded the motion to allow Shappie to enter into an agreement with Paulus Excavating to install 200' of stone roadway on Industrial Drive. All yea, motion passed.

Bridge Project/New Industrial Park

Matt Hoying reviewed plans for the New Industrial Park. He said that they will advertise for bids in mid May, with a bid opening in June. The request to proceed cannot be filed until July 1. Mayor Daugherty suggested that council meet on the first Monday in July to accept the bids and move forward with the project. Council agreed to move the meeting to July 5, 2017.

Shappie said that the developer interested in Lot 1 in the new Industrial Park wants to install a low water crossing over the creek in order to start construction before the bridge is installed. He said that it would be entirely at the builder's expense, and the property would have to be restored to its previous state.

Goubeaux moved, and Platfoot seconded the motion to allow Shappie to enter into an agreement with the builder to install a low water crossing according to the above stipulations. All yea, motion passed.

Well Development

Matt Hoying reported that the plans for the new well field are progressing, and have been sent to the EPA. The EPA will review the application, and arrange for an onsite inspection. After approval, the project can proceed.

Nature Works Grant

Shappie said that there is a Nature Works Grant available for Shelby County in the amount of \$27,000. He said that the Park Board would like to extend the existing walking path in the park. The total cost of the park board proposal would be approximately \$65,000, which would result in a Village cost of \$38,000 if the Grant was awarded. After discussion, council did not feel that funds would be available for the whole project this year. Council directed Shappie to apply for the Nature Works Grant for a walking path to extend the path installed in 2016 to circle baseball diamond 5, and then continue North to meet the path at the track. The estimated Village cost of this project would be about \$9,000, if the grant is received.

Miscellaneous

Shappie said that the Village had not previously joined the Shelby County Mitigation Plan. He said that the Village would not be eligible for Federal funds in the case of a disaster if they are not a part of this Plan.

Platfoot moved and Borchers seconded the motion to approve **Resolution 17-04-12 to join the Shelby County Mitigation Plan. All yea, motion passed.**

Shappie said that new lighting is needed at the Village Office to illuminate the new office sign and the flag. He said the cost for the lights would be about \$520. He asked if Council wanted lights installed at the new sign at the Maintenance Building costing about \$325. Council directed him to purchase the lighting for both areas.

Shappie said that NK Telco had drawn up a preliminary agreement for a long term utility easement. He said that in exchange for allowing the construction of a building at the water tower, they would agree to provide free broadband service for 3 village sites for 25 years. Daugherty said he did not like the wording, as broadband would be obsolete before the end of the contract. Craig Albers said he would have Justin Spillers review it and suggest wording that would require them to provide service comparable to broadband as technology changes.

Shappie said that O'Reilly Precision Products wants to extend their parking lot at the building recently purchased from the Village. They asked for permission to install gravel rather than concrete for one year. Council decided that although gravel does not meet the dust-free zoning regulation, they would allow it for one year.

Daugherty reported that the new Maintenance building garage doors that are being donated by Clopay will be installed on May 4, 2017.

Goubeaux said that Village residents had asked about the possibility of installing a splash pad at the park. She checked prices, and found that the cost of a 30x30 foot pad with 6 jets would cost \$100,000 to \$150,000. Shappie said it would also be a problem to produce that much water. Council decided it was not feasible.

Goubeaux moved and High seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. All yea, motion passed.

Council President, Ron Simon _____

Clerk, Mary Jo Voisard _____